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SUBJ: SATELLITE TELECAST ON INAUGURATION

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1. AFTER CONSIDERING OUR PROPOSAL FOR SEVERAL DAYS, POLISH TELEVISION FOREIGN RELATIONS DIRECTOR MIKULICZ TELEPHONED TO ACCEPT THE USIA SATELLITE TELECAST. MIKULICZ EXPLAINED, HOWEVER, THAT THEY WANTED ONE OF THEIR "REGULAR" CORRESPONDENTS, BARTOSZ JANISZEWSKI, TO PRODUCE THE PROGRAM AND NOT MALCUZYNSKI. AS WE REPORTED EARLIER, MALCUZYNSKI'S "MONITOR" NEWS PROGRAM WAS DROPPED IN SEPTEMBER. HE HAS SINCE REFUSED POLISH TELEVISION'S OFFERS TO JOIN THEIR NEW NEWSCAST FORMAT AND IS NOW ABSORBED IN HIS WORK AS PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH AUTHOR'S AGENCY.

2. AS AGENCY IS AWARE, JANISZEWSKI DID THE BICENTENNIAL SATELLITE SALUTE LAST JULY. HE IS A COMPETENT PROFESSIONAL AND THE SENIOR POLISH TELEVISION EXPERT ON AMERICAN AFFAIRS. WHILE WE WOULD HAVE PREFERRED MALCUZYNSKI, WE THINK THAT THIS TYPE OF EXPOSURE ON POLISH TV FOR THE INAUGURATION AND FOR THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IS OUR PRIMARY CONSIDERATION.

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3. WE NEED TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE PRECISE DATE AND TIME

FOR THE SATELLITE FEED. AS WITH THE "SATELLITE SALUTE", WE
ASSUME THAT POLISH TV SHOULD RESERVE THE SATELLITE AND THE LINES.
WITH THE SIX-HOUR TIME DIFFERENCE AND MOST INAUGURAL EVENTS
TAKING PLACE AFTER 12 NOON ON JANUARY 20, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE
SATELLITE FEED TAKE PLACE ON JANUARY 21, PERHAPS AT 12 NOON.
THIS WILL PERMIT COVERAGE OF ALL EVENTS AS WELL AS MORE PRE-
PARATION TIME FOR THE TELECAST.

4. ADVISE THE FISCAL DATA FOR JANISZEWSKI TRAVEL. WHEN SHOULD
HE ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON?
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